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TO : Secretary of the Navy

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DATE: 30 OCT 1961

FROM : Chief of Naval Operations

SUBJECT: Approved actions incident to Berlin contingencies (U)

Ref : (a) CSD memo of 11 October 1961

1. Reference (a) requested that details of steps taken to implement the subject actions be provided, including key scheduling dates.
2. Accordingly the attached proposed memorandum for the Secretary of Defense contains information on the subject actions as provided by Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service.
3. It is recommended that the proposed memorandum be signed.

Very respectfully,
John Sylvester

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Special Agent in Charge S-2872

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~~MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF~~

Subject: Approved actions incident to Berlin contingencies (C)

Ref: (a) Office of Secretary of Defense memo of 11 October 1961

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1. Pursuant to your request contained in reference (a), the following steps have been taken to implement the subject actions:

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a. The USS CORSON is scheduled to embark 18 officers, 13 warrant officers, and 2,775 troops of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment at Baltimore on 31 October 1961, and sail that day for Europe. The port of debarkation is Bremerhaven, estimated time of arrival 9 November 1961.

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b. Commander Military Sea Transportation Service, Atlantic Area advises that firm tonnage figures and listing of cargo of 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment are not, as yet, available. Representatives of U.S. Army Transportation Terminal Command Brooklyn are presently at Fort Monmouth determining extent of this requirement.

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c. USS CORINTH is scheduled to go on loading berth at Philadelphia on 1 November to load 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment cargo. CORINTH estimated time of arrival Bremerhaven is 10 November or 9 November if destination is to be in France. The USS MARINE FIDLER is scheduled on berth Philadelphia 2 November to load overflow cargo beyond the capacity of the CORINTH.

d. The oral requirement placed on MSTS by the Office of Chief of Transportation, U.S. Army for fourteen (14) ships to lift cargo from East Coast to Europe has been satisfied.

e. The oral requirement placed on MSTS by the Office of Chief of Transportation, U.S. Army for fourteen (14) ships to lift general cargo and vehicles from East Coast to Europe has been partially met by the assignment of seven (7) MSTS controlled ships. Charter of commercial shipping to lift the remaining requirements will be accomplished on receipt from the Army of more specific cargo information.

f. The Army requirement to lift 26,000 MT of cargo from Seattle/ Tacoma to Europe is being met with four (4) ships.

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